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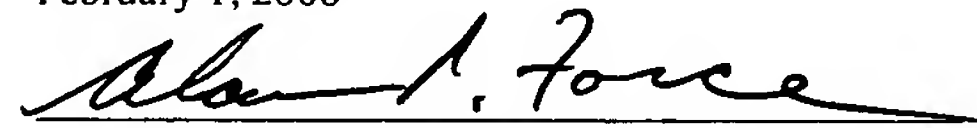
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 13, 2007, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and comments into the file of the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.